

Public Safety Committee
Wednesday, February 6, 2019 6:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting
Common Council Chambers
31 South Madison Street

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order.** Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Dobbs.
2. **Roll Call.** Members present: Dianne Duggan and Larry Dobbs. Others present: Police Chief Scott McElroy, EMS Chief Jamie Kessenich, City Administrator Ian Rigg, Utility and Finance Accountant Julie Roberts, and citizens Meg Wiltse and Beth Kazmar. Absent: James Montgomery.
3. **Agenda.** Motion made by Dobbs, seconded by Duggan, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion was approved 2-0.
4. **Minutes.** Motion was made by Dobbs, seconded by Duggan to approve the December 5, 2018 Public Safety regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion was approved 2-0.
5. **Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed.** None
6. **Old Business.** None.
7. **New Business.**
 - A. **Motion to approve the short term street use license on North 1st Street from West Main Street to Montgomery Court for Friends of the Eager Free Public Library's Annual Strawberry Festival on June 28, 2019 from 4:00pm to 9:00pm:** Meg Wiltse clarified that this is for the Ice Cream Social and not the Annual Strawberry Festival. Duggan made a motion, seconded by Dobbs to approve the short term street use license on North 1st Street from West Main Street to Montgomery Court for Friends of the Eager Free Public Library's Annual Ice Cream Social on June 28, 2019 from 4:00pm to 9:00pm. Meg Wiltse wanted to confirm that this includes parking restrictions as well. McElroy confirmed that. Motion was approved 2-0.
 - B. **Motion to approve the Original Operators License application(s) for (approved by Police Chief McElroy unless otherwise noted):**
 - (1) Michelle Veronica Garcia
 - (2) Andrea Marie Geitt
 - (3) Nicole Marie Guetzke
 - (4) Tanya D Morrison
 - (5) Tristan Harry Sauer
 - (6) Jeffrey John Tanner
 - (7) Angela Janette WiemillerDuggan made a motion, seconded by Dobbs to approve the Original Operators License application for the following individuals as printed on the agenda: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7.

Motion was approved 2-0. Duggan made a motion, seconded by Dobbs to deny the operator's license for Tristan Harry Sauer. Motion approved 2-0.

8. **Police Department Report.** McElroy gave the monthly report. We were fortunate to find and subsequently purchase a 2019 squad through Kayser Ford in Madison. We are trading the 2014 in and it went in today for squad changeover. We should have the new 2019 in service next week at the latest. We have ordered a new 2020 Ford Explorer to replace the totaled 2015. It should arrive in July or later. We have received the 2 new portable radios from General Communication that were budgeted for in 2019. These radios are now in service. We finished accreditation proofing the first week in February 2019. We had started accreditation proofing Monday, December 3rd, 2018. EPD admin staff is working on 2018 employee evaluations. Ian and I met with the Evansville Community School District administration team February 5th. They have indicated they are receptive to the idea of a School Resource Officer (SRO) potentially in 2020 at the earliest. They would like to maintain dialog with city staff and get some cost proposals, etc., from the city. We are scheduled to meet again March 5th, 2019. 2018 "Unofficial" Calls for Service year-end report. 2018 – 14,026 and 2017 – 12,303.
9. **EMS Report.** Kessenich distributed the EMS monthly report. There were 62 calls for service during the month of January. That is 20 more calls over January 2018 (48% increase). Call volume continues to be on the rise. 2018 total call volume was 585 while 2017 was 540 (8.3% increase). We've currently had 16 calls in just 6 days for the month of February. This does not include the calls that were covered by mutual aid because we were already committed. EMT's completed CPR training during the Month of January. This is required every two years. An Evansville EMS Facebook page has been started. Openings for EMT's were posted on the page. We've received 5 applications and two of those are already trained as an EMT. Rigg stated they should speak to review the City's social media policy.
10. **Meeting Reminder:** Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 6, 2019, 6:00 pm.
11. **Motion to adjourn.** Motion by Duggan second by Dobbs to adjourn at 6:14pm. Motion approved 2-0.

Julie Roberts
Utility and Finance Accountant

The minutes are not official until approved by the Public Safety Committee at the next regular meeting.